



2023 WINTER NEWSLETTER

Keeping YOU in the know!

Message from Your President

In 2009 the Iowa Watercolor Society warmly welcomed me when my family relocated from Georgia to Iowa. In 2020, with the Vice President position needing to be filled, it seemed only fitting that it was time for me to give back to this fine organization. And now, although my husband and I have relocated upon his retirement, from IA to WI, I am honored to be serving as your President for the next two years.

This has always been and continues to remain a very busy organization! Offering both spring and fall workshops, spring and fall miniature shows, a virtual members' show, our annual fall juried exhibition and a year long traveling show, there are numerous opportunities for YOU, our members, to be involved and grow as artists!

As your President, I want to be sure that our events and happenings are both inspiring and inclusive to all our members across the entire state of Iowa. Communication is key! To that end I am happy to share that we are bringing back quarterly newsletters! With members spanning the entire state of Iowa, what better way to share highlights of both our recent and upcoming events and happenings! So, grab that cup of coffee or glass of wine and enjoy this newsletter.

Let's have a very creative 2023 together!!

~ Jean

45th Annual Juried Exhibition

On Sept. 11, 2022, many members gathered once again at La Poste, Perry, IA, for our annual meeting, luncheon and exhibition awards presentation!



You may view the entire 2022 juried exhibition, award winners, and 2022/2023 traveling show/schedule on our website. Special thanks to Mayela Fonseca for creating our beautiful 45th Annual Juried Exhibition Catalog.

2022 Exhibition Gallery

Fall Miniature Show

Our Fall Miniature Show was held at the Johnston Public Library, Johnston, IA, from Nov. 5 - Dec. 17, 2022. Larry Castek won the Peoples' Choice Award with his painting, "Old and New." Congratulations, Larry!



Old and New by Larry Castek

Membership Renewal

Have you renewed your membership for 2023? If not, hop on over to our website and renew today. Don't miss your opportunity to participate as a member in all the upcoming 2023 offerings. Thank You!

Renew Membership

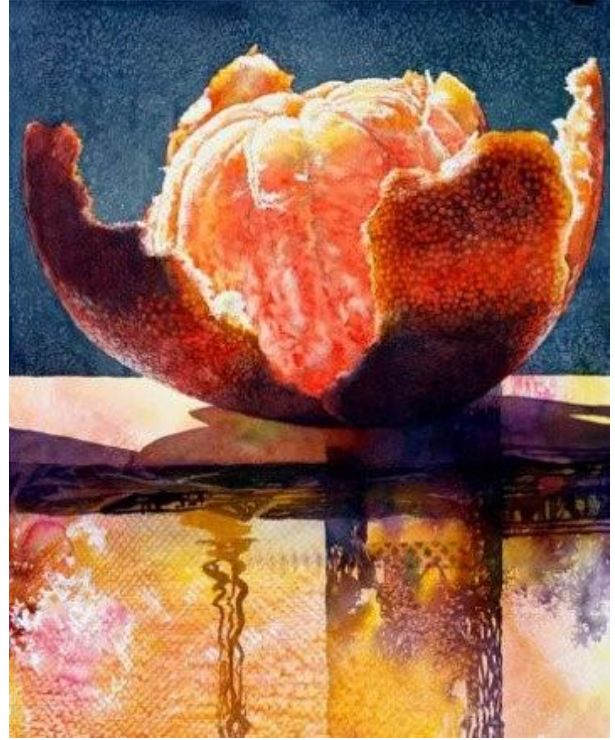
Spring Workshop

Our 2023 Spring Workshop is already nearly full! Just a few spots remain to join master watercolorist Soon Y. Warren for a 3 Day, *Vibrant Watercolors* Workshop! Soon is an excellent instructor! She will walk students step by step through two of her pieces; "Rose and Glass Bowl" and "Little Tangerine." A supply list, reference photos, step by step and final images will be provided to students prior to the start of the workshop.

Attendance is limited so don't delay!



Rose and Glass Bowl by Soon Y. Warren
Register Today



Little Tangerine by Soon Y. Warren
Visit Soon's Website

Virtual Members' Show

Our Virtual Member' Show is an excellent opportunity for you to share one or two of your original works, either for sale or NFS, with the public on our website. Registration opens in February and this show runs from March 15 - April 15, 2023. New this year, we will be offering a Peoples' Choice Award! Watch your email for the entry link and full prospectus/details.

Spring Miniature Show

This year's Spring Miniature Show will be held at the Urbandale Public Library, Urbandale, IA, from April 23 - June 3, 2023. Registration for this show opens in March. We are including the option to ship your painting(s). Once again, watch your email for the entry link and full prospectus/details.

Remembering Our Own

Our heartfelt condolences for the passing of these kind and caring Iowa Watercolor Society artist members. You are missed:

Anita Plucker, Jan. 3, 2022

Linda Poore, Nov. 30, 2022

Susan Colby, Dec. 13, 2022

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